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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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For: IMAGE ENCODING METHOD, DEVICE

THEREOF, AND CONTROL PROGRAM

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Examiner: A. N. Holder

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2011, please reconsider the above-identified U.S. patent application in view of the following:

A listing of the pending claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present		Rate	Additional Fee
Total	27	- 30* =	0	X	\$60.00	\$0.00
Independent	15	- 15** =	0	X	\$250.00	\$0.00
First presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)						
TOTAL						\$0.00

^{*}not less than 20

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CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2215.

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